

COMPLEXE SCOLAIRE LA DECOUVERTE

Complexe Scolaire La Decouverte is a multi-purpose training center located in a low-income commune of Lubumbashi. The Center is clean, organized and provides hope for a community devastated by poverty. Dr. Pierre Radja, a professor at the University of Lubumbashi, began the educational center four years ago with his personal funds and gifts from a long time American family friend in Ohio. Many of the low-income children and mothers who attend the center do not have access to basic healthcare for medical needs.

The Complexe Scolaire La Decouverte received \$8,000 from the Ambassador's Special Self Help Fund. The grant was used to open a small medical hub and to purchase sewing machines, benches and typewriters for the school. The same year, the center provided kindergarten, primary, and secondary schooling for approximately 1,200 students, reading and sewing classes for twelve single mothers, ABC classes for twenty plus older women, and vocation options for teen students.





After the SSHF project was completed, Ambassador Meece visited the center to further encourage the community.

